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THE NEW ENTERPRISE,  
Madison, Florida.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1908.

Jefferson county has voted for an issue of bonds for the building of a new and up-to-date court house (sadly needed for many years) and for other public improvements. We are delighted to see this evidence of awakening of one of Florida's most prosperous counties.

Now if all Floridians and the press of the State would turn their undivided attention to matters for the State's good and drop politics for at least two years we would see our State flourish and grow in wealth and population amazingly. The experiment is well worth a trial.

A revival of trade is reported from all over the country since the election. Staple commodities like cotton, grain, turpentine and other things have advanced in value and are now bringing fair prices. Let us hope that prosperity has returned not for a brief season but permanently, and that it will apply not only to the manufacturers and moneyed classes but to that class to whom it rightfully belongs, the producers and laborers.

The Tallahassee True Democrat came to us last week bearing the valedictory of John G. Collins, former editor and proprietor, who has sold the plant together with the good will to Milton A. Smith who has assumed the editorial management of the paper and will conduct its affairs in the future. The retirement of Mr. Collins was necessitated by impaired health resulting from a severe attack of la-grippe a year ago. John Collins made the True Democrat one of the most readable of Florida's many excellent weekly papers, and built up a business which is a most profitable one. We honestly regret his enforced retirement from the profession in which he has attained marked success, and sincerely hope that his health will be speedily restored. We are not acquainted with his successor but we take occasion to remind him that he has a job ahead of him to keep the True Democrat fully up to the high standard established for it by his predecessor. That he will do it, however, we have no doubt, for he belongs to the great family of Smith and we are sure he has it in him to "make good" in every particular. Success to you, brother.

Judge "Papa Jack" Maxwell of Duval county's criminal court, warned the guilty ones a few days ago that he would no longer impose fines on those convicted in his court of carrying concealed weapons, but would instead sentence the convicted one to a term in the chain gang. Last week a young white man was convicted of the charge and the Judge immediately sentenced him to four months in the gang. This is about the only way in which the pernicious habit can be broken up and other judges in the State would do the State a service by adopting like punishment.

# The Hunting Season Is Now Upon Us.

We can furnish the Sportsman with everything necessary.

Shot Guns.

Rifles.

Loaded Shells, all sizes.

Hunting Coats,

Teggins.

Cartridges, Etc.

A Full Line of General Hardware.

## THARIN & LESLIE

### FOR SALE OR TO LET.

1357 acres (cultivated and woodland) near Madison, Fla., known as the "Waddy Thompson plantation." Possession January 1st, 1909. Enquire of F. J. WHITON, 130 Broadway, New York City.

### NOTICE.

All persons are hereby forbidden to hunt, fish or in any wise trespass on my lands, enclosed or not enclosed without written permission from me.

E. E. WEST,  
WEST BROS.

### Notice.

No hunting, fishing or other trespassing upon any of my lands in Madison county, Fla. Trespassers will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

R. S. McISTYRE.

# FINE \$350.00 COTE PIANO

In Your Home Without One Cent Expense  
Given Away By W. M. Taylor.

### How it is Done.

We have purchased a splendid Cote Piano like the illustration, manufactured by the Cote Piano Company, of Fall River, Mass., and will give this piano to the person or society securing the greatest value in certificates given with purchases made at this store. These certificates range in denomination from 5 cents to \$10, and are given to customers in amount equal to the amount of their purchases. The piano will be given away March 1st, 1909, and will cost the one receiving it absolutely nothing. We do this in order to show the citizens of this community our appreciation of their trade, and to induce new customers to trade here. There will be absolutely no advance in prices, in fact, the price on some lines will be lower than usual, because during this contest we will put on special sales of goods at reduced prices. We are going to make this contest interesting for everybody, and want all of our regular customers to bring their friends to the store. We want everybody to come in and examine the piano.

### Square Deal to All.

The certificates will be counted and the piano awarded by a committee of prominent citizens, and everything regarding the contest will be open and above board.



### Everybody Interested.

All the people in this community should take an interest in this piano contest. The piano belongs to the public, and it is for the public to decide who shall receive it. It would be a splendid instrument for a school or Sunday School. It would be a proud and imposing addition to any lodge room. There are also many young ladies who have musical ability, who are worthy of possessing this piano, but we do not wish to attempt to include all of the possible persons or societies to whom the piano could be given, because we want the matter to be decided by the public.

### CUT THIS OUT—SEND IN TO-DAY.

### NOMINATION COUPON.

WILL TAYLOR: I wish to nominate as a candidate in your Piano Contest,

I understand this is merely a nomination, not a vote, and does not obligate me in any way.

Name .....

Date ..... Address .....

## Who Will Get the Piano?

Remember the piano is to be given away to someone, and you should participate in the decision as to who will receive it. Commence at once to collect certificates and you will advance not only your own interests but the interests of some friend or of some society to which you belong. Remember

The Piano is Given Absolutely Free.  
W. M. TAYLOR  
Next Door to Post Office

MADISON.